

**Drake University School of
Education Weekly Newsletter July
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Dates

Faculty, staff, and friends: Come grill with us! We will be grilling lunch at 11:30 am on Fridays, July 11, 18 and 25 outdoors, behind the SOE building, as long as it's not raining. Details forthcoming from the SOE social committee. Doris Brunette will be heading up the arrangements, so contact her directly if you have great ideas.
Tuesday, July 8, Staff meeting at 11 am in the Dean's conference

Updates

The Iowa Department of Education July School Leader Update is now available

at: <https://www.educateiowa.gov/resources/school-leader-update>

Reminders

Teaching and Learning faculty: Please report on your 60 hours and Faculty Scholarship for 2013-14:

60 Hour Verification

link: <http://c1.livetext.com/misk5/formz/public/77052/W8xirM2Bvw>

Faculty Scholarship (Presentations and Publications)

link: <http://c1.livetext.com/misk5/formz/public/77053/xCfrFrDhpi>

Spotlight

STEM Spotlight - 4 items

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1. Read a copy of Drake's South Central STEM Hub newsletter here:

<https://scstemhub.drake.edu/files/2012/10/SC-STEM-June-Newsletter-2014.pdf>

One detail in case you don't want to click on the link: On May 10th, the STEM hub and Drake's Women in Math and Computer Science (WiMaCS) hosted an Hour of Code, where students and parents were invited to spend an hour on a Saturday morning learning to code. This event was supported by MidAmerican Energy Co and Goggle, Inc. Google committed \$20,000.

2. The South Central STEM hub's homepage <https://scstemhub.drake.edu/> has a list of all of the recently awarded organizations. **In the next year, the hub will serve over 158 in and out of school educators and over 12,000 Iowa youth through these programs alone.** The awarded programs are listed by city, so readers can see the broad reach of the hub, as well as search for local STEM opportunities. Anyone who wants to get more involved can email Sarah.Derry@drake.edu!

3. This article, "Iowa STEM Supports Art and Culture" http://iowastem.gov/iowa-stem-supports-art-and-culture?utm_source=Iowa+STEM+Update+-+June+2014&utm_campaign=Iowa+STEM+ENews+06-2014&utm_medium=email helps dispel a common

misconception that STEM excludes creativity and culture.

4. Gov. Branstad announces appointees to Regional STEM Advisory Boards

(DES MOINES) – Gov. Terry E. Branstad today announced appointments to fill Iowa’s Regional Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Advisory Boards. The following individuals’ appointments began July 1, 2014, and are not subject to Iowa Senate confirmation:

North Central Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mrs. Jan Westrum, Boone

Ms. Robin Anderson, Mason City

Dr. Paul Bartelt, Forest City

Dr. Douglas Jacobson, Ames

Northeast Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mr. James Brown, Jr., Cedar Falls

Dr. Scott Greenhalgh, New Hartford

Mr. Mason Kuhn, Cedar Falls

Mr. Steve Demuth, Decorah

Ms. Lisa Digman, Bellevue

Northwest Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mrs. Mary Trent, Carroll

Dr. Jasper Lesage, Sioux Center

Ms. Sherry McGill, Sergeant Bluff

Ms. Nancy McDowell, Sheldon

South Central Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mr. John Chai, Norwalk

Ms. Kimberly Wayne, Des Moines

Dr. Jerry Deegan, Clive

Ms. Katherine Harrington, West Des Moines

Southeast Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mr. Patrick Barnes, Bettendorf

Ms. Kimberly Beals, Swisher

Professor Tonya Peebles, Coralville

Mr. Craig Martinson, Central City

Ms. Adriana Donofrio, Cedar Rapids

Southwest Regional STEM Advisory Board

Mr. Chris Russell, Omaha

Mrs. Kimberly Carter, Council Bluffs

Ms. Carol LaFaver, Creston

Mrs. Lori Stitz, Harlan

Media

One more article in response to the accreditation kerfuffle

Iowa charts its own path to high standards

By Charles C. Edwards Jr. 11:12 p.m. CDT June 27, 2014

<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/story/opinion/columnists/iowa-view/2014/06/28/iowa-charts-path-high-standards/11576245/>

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